

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract with the following:

A method and system for unloading an IMS database. [[In a first embodiment, s]] Segments in the segment array are stored in an indexed order [[. In a second embodiment, segments in the segment array]] or are stored in a relative byte address (RBA) order. In both [[the first embodiment and the second embodiment]] cases, either an image copy of an IMS database or an actual IMS database processed sequentially may be utilized. [[In the first embodiment]] For indexed order storage, a lookup table may be created to include a key value and a segment array location. A segment array may be created to store both the root and child segments from the IMS database. [[In the second embodiment]] For RBA ordered storage, a first segment array may be created to store the root segments from the IMS database in a sequential order. Additionally, a second segment array may be created to store the child segments from the IMS database in a relative byte address (RBA) order.